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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Terrence L. Blevins et al.

Application No.: 10/590,573

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Art Unit: 2121

For: Integration of Process Modules and Expert  
Systems in Process Plants

Examiner: S. P. Shechtman

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.